

## ADVANCED MORTARMAN COURSE



 <u>Purpose</u>: To provide training and education to 0341s serving in the billet of mortar squad leader, section leader, Forward Observer (FO), or a member of a Fire Direction Center (FDC). The desired end-state is to develop the doctrinal skills requisite of a 0341 mortar squad or section leader and to improve student tactical decision-making abilities.

## Task List:

- 1000 Level
  - 60mm and 81mm mortar core competencies
- 2000 Level:
  - Annex A (troop leading, combat orders, fire support planning, patrolling, and call for fire)
  - Offense, defense, and urban operations
  - Mortar employment
  - Mortar gunline competencies
  - FDC (plotting board and LHMBC) and FO procedures
- <u>Methodology</u>: The course focuses on teaching the skills and doctrinal knowledge required to serve as a mortar squad or section leader with an emphasis on decision-making. Instruction is executed through lecture, practical application, field training, and live fire exercises. Each student is tested during a field leadership evaluation based on a tactical scenario.